

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner noted that claims 1-8 are pending in the application, and that claims 1-4 are rejected. In addition, the Examiner notes that claims 5-8 are allowable over the prior art of record, and that claims 1 and 3-4 would be allowable if amended to correct the rejection based on definiteness. By this amendment, claims 1-5 and 7 have been amended. Thus, claims 1-8 are pending in the application. The Examiner's rejections are traversed below.

Objection to the Abstract

The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because of informalities. The abstract has been rewritten to emphasize that which is claimed in the instant application.

Applicant respectfully submits the amended Abstract as germane to the instant invention claimed; and withdraw of objection is respectfully requested.

Objection to the Disclosure

The disclosure is objected to as requiring description of additional Figures 30A-30G. Applicant firstly points out that the disclosure in the priority applications includes a description of Figures 30A-30G, **and the priority applications have been incorporated by reference in the present application**. Nevertheless, Applicant has amended the specification also include this detailed disclosure of these figures. **Thus, Applicant**

respectfully submits that the additional descriptions appears within the original divisional specification and is merely reiterated here for clarity of the figures.

No new matter has been entered, and withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested. In addition, the specification has been amended accordingly.

Claim Objections

Claims 1-8 are objected to because of informalities.

Applicant has amended the claims as indicated by the Examiner in the above manner for both objections and rejections and submits herewith. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Indefiniteness Rejections

Claims 1-4 are rejected as being indefinite.

Applicant has amended the claims as indicated by the Examiner in the above manner for the rejections and submits herewith. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejection Under 35 USC §102(b)

Claim 2 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Baggott US 2,662,045. Applicant has amended Claim 2 consistent with the Examiner's reasons for allowance, although with some variation with respect thereto.

Claim 2 has been amended to remedy any confusion. Baggott is merely a joint sealing system. In contrast, the present invention comprises, for example in at least one embodiment, the use of a thin wire or flat piece of metal imbedded in plastic at the manufacturing point with a security chip to establish a future detectable access point in an electronics package. Accordingly, in the present invention, the security can be as simple as a single wire embedded in a plastic package wall at manufacture or set in an access panel groove as displayed when used in combination with the remaining elements being claimed, when each claim is interpreted as a whole.

As indicated above, in the present invention, in at least one embodiment, a security trigger circuit is connected and imbedded with the security seal wire as a security seal system, and optionally stamped in the seal wells by authorized users to further determine tampering or improper entry.

Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that, as described above, the cited prior art does not show or suggest the combination of features recited in the claims. Applicant does not concede that the cited prior art shows any of the elements recited in the claims. However, Applicant has provided specific examples of elements in the claims that are clearly not present in the cited prior art.

Applicant strongly emphasizes that one reviewing the prosecution history should not interpret any of the examples Applicant has described herein in connection with distinguishing over the prior art as limiting to those specific features in isolation. Rather, Applicant asserts that it is the combination of elements recited in each of the claims, when each claim is interpreted as a whole, which is patentable. Applicant has emphasized certain features in the claims as clearly not present in the cited references, as discussed above. However, Applicant does not concede that other features in the claims are found in the prior art. Rather, for the sake of simplicity, Applicant is providing examples of why the claims described above are distinguishable over the cited prior art.

Applicant wishes to clarify for the record, if necessary, that the claims have been amended to expedite prosecution. Moreover, Applicant reserves the right to pursue the original subject matter recited in the present claims in a continuation application.

Any narrowing amendments made to the claims in the present Amendment are not to be construed as a surrender of any subject matter between the original claims and the present claims; rather merely Applicant's best attempt at providing one or more definitions of what the Applicant believes to be suitable patent protection. In addition, the present claims provide the intended scope of protection that Applicant is seeking for this application. Therefore, no estoppel should be presumed, and Applicant's claims are intended to include a scope of protection under the Doctrine of Equivalents.

Further, Applicant hereby retracts any arguments and/or statements made during prosecution that were rejected by the Examiner during prosecution and/or that were unnecessary to obtain allowance, and only maintains the arguments that persuaded the Examiner with respect to the allowability of the patent claims, as one of ordinary skill would understand from a review of the prosecution history. That is, Applicant specifically retracts statements that one of ordinary skill would recognize from reading the file history were not necessary, not used and/or were rejected by the Examiner in allowing the patent application.

For all the reasons advanced above, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections have been overcome and should be withdrawn.

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For all the reasons advanced above, Applicant respectfully submits that the Application is in condition for allowance, and that such action is earnestly solicited.

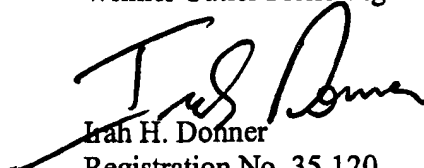
AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required for this Amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

In the event that an Extension of Time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an Extension of Time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that Extension of Time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an Extension of Time or credit any overpayment for an Extension of Time to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

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